Europe now imports every year 660,000

Ceylon has cinns In the rock of Gibraltar there are 70

The Union Pacific railroad crosses nine mountain ranges. The Chinese live longer than people of

The anchors of the steamship Campania weigh 814 tons each Either I will flud a way or I will make

Rembrandt's father is said to have been a miller and farmer

A teaspoonful of microbes contains over 4,000,000 individuals. In all countries more marriages take place

in June than in any other month. The queen of Corea has a lady physician who gets a salary of \$15,000 yearly. The most prolific of opera composers was Piccini. He wrote over 200 operas.

A rattlesnake in the zoo at Atlanta has not eaten anything since last August. Unbearable boorishness can be changed to bearable eccentricity by the acquisition of wealth.

Marshal Bessieres was a farmer's boy, and after enlisting as a private rose from the ranks.

Southern Pacific locomotives will soon use for fuel bricks made of coal dust and asphaltum. Celluloid is paper chemically treated, reduced again to pulp and then molded into emergencies.

Some characters are like the black billiard ball-not black, but called so because of one black spot.

We are haunted by an ideal life, and it is because we have within us the beginning and the possibility of it.—Phillips Brooks. A man going shopping with his wife is usually a most weebegone looking object. His face always bears upon it the marks of

Perhaps you have heard of "Spartacus to the Gladiators." Its author, the Rev. Elijah Kellogg, still preaches at Harpswell, Me., although over 80.

A Beverly (Mass.) man was fined \$5 for slapping his wife in the face and \$15 for as-saulting the policeman who arrested him. There seems to be something wrong with the Beverly police court's tariff.

Getting Information In Congress.

Stewart L. Woodford was a member of congress from Brooklyn not long after the war. He was one of the sensible chaps who didn't know it all at the beginning.

For a month or so early in the session he had to spend a great deal of time in the departments, and so he looked around for somebody to keep him headed right on the rare occasions when he appeared in the house.

house.

There was a very shrewd looking person who frequently occupied a seat near by, and Woodford was so struck by his appearance that he got in the habit of asking his advice whenever in doubt about a question. One day he strolled in during a roll call just before his name was reached. He didn't know what was up, but his un-known friend, as usual, told him how to

known friend, as usual, told him how to vote.

When the result was announced, he discovered to his chagrin that he had voted against most of the other members of his party. That worried him a little, but he kept mum, and sure enough a few days later it appeared that he had voted right and that the other fellows were wrong.

Then it occurred to him to find out the name of the far seeing member who always knew about everything and never took any part in debate. So he turned to a friend for information.

"What is his name?" repeated his friend in response to the question. "Why, my dear fellow, he is not a member at all. He is the clerk of the postoffice committee." Woodford tells this tale himself, so it must be true.—New York Recorder.

AFTER RAIN.

Clouds rifted, seaward drifted like white sails. A silver rain upon the tangled grasses, A sweet wind on the mountain where it passes
We'll follow sunward by the lichened rails.

Within the gray, thin shadow of the beeches, By white pools sleeping in the yellow sun, On fountain slopes where sparkling shallows Beyond the meadows into piney reaches-

Your hand, dear, so-Pil guide you where the

flowers Are new blown, blue and golden, where the drumming
Of some lone partridge sounds, and brown

bees' humming,
Into the silentnesses of dim bowers.

—H. M. Merrill.

Utilization of Waste The discovery that the leaf of the pine apple plant can be wrought into a service able cloth is one of those newly found facts that are constantly proving how much there is yet to discover in nature. As the there is yet to discover in nature. As the plant is extensively grown in Florida a new industry in time will spring up there, and the producers of the delicious pineapple will have a new source of profit at their command. But it does not speak well for the boasted inventive genius of America that pineapple fiber cloth has been manufactured for some time in Central America, and that it is now an article of export. This is however, only one of the discov-

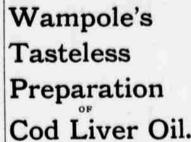
This is, however, only one of the discoveries made in recent years by which waste material is being utilized. It would puzzle any one but an expert to go into a store to day and tell from what material a percent-age of the goods are manufactured. Grass, timber, sawdust and other products that timber, sawdust and other products that were once rejected as useless are now saved and put to practical use. The Hollanders have even discovered how to convert the peat from bogs into the soft wools, which can be spun into cloth, rugs and blankets at half the cost these goods can be made from wool grown on the sheep's back. Such a discovery ought to open before Ireland and some other countries the prospect of a great industry which will increase their prosperity and commercial importance.— Philadelphia Press.

To Keep a Boutonniere Fresh. Carnations, daisies and occasionally half blown rosebuds that have been used as boutonnieres in the evening may by care ful management be kept fresh enough to wear next day. A man in town who has a pardonable penchant for frequently wearing a buttonhole bouquet, yet does not wish to spend from \$1.50 to \$5 a day on this luxurious fancy, puts away his boutonnieres at night as carefully as a woman does her jewels. He makes a hole through a pasteboard card, clips the end of the flower and puts it through the hole in the pasteboard. He then puts the card over a glass full of water. The delicate petals of the flower are thus prevented from touching the water, and the stem is in its full length. As everybody knows, water on the petals of cut flowers destroys their freshness. A bunch of carnations may be kept together and their stems put through a sizable hole in the pasteboard card. Daisies should be separated and the stems put through individual holes.—New York Herald. boutonnieres in the evening may by care

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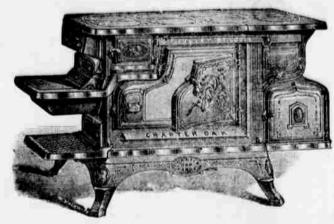
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